SHREVEPORT DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE EXAMINATION STUDY GUIDE

An examination for the class of **DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE** will consist of two parts which will be administered during separate exam sessions. The multiple-choice examination will be administered during the first exam session at **8:30 a.m.** on **OCTOBER 19, 2016**, and a direct writing exercise will be administered during the second exam session on **OCTOBER 19, 2016**, beginning at **1:30 p.m.** You must take both parts of the examination in order to receive a grade, although the primary weighting of the total exam results will focus on the multiple-choice examination. A complete description of the subject areas to be evaluated follows:

<u>PART I</u>
WRITTEN EXAMINATION

SUBJECT AREA/KNOWLEDGE	APPROXIMATE % OF EXAM
POLICE ADMINISTRATION	17.3%
Knowledge of the principles of effective police administration, involving management theory and organizational behavior; researching, planning, organizing, and inspecting departmental operations; personnel management, including applicable provisions of civil service law; and financial management, including purchasing.	
REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE	10.0%
Knowledge of effective report preparation procedures, including the compilation, analysis, and organization of data into an effective written format for reports or official correspondence.	
SUPERVISION	20.9%
Knowledge of the practices and techniques used in effective supervision in order to plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of subordinates; to resolve conflicts; and to maintain discipline.	
PUBLIC RELATIONS	10.0%
Knowledge of effective public relations practices which foster a positive public image of the department through contact with the media, other agencies, and the public.	

SUBJECT AREA/KNOWLEDGE	APPROXIMATE % OF EXAM
LAW ENFORCEMENT MANAGEMENT	41.8%
Knowledge of law enforcement operations, including patrol, traffic control and traffic accident investigation, special tactical operations, criminal investigation, and handling of juveniles and investigation of juvenile crime, sufficient to train and supervise subordinate employees.	

DIRECT WRITING EXERCISE

Ability to effectively communicate in writing in the form of reports, correspondence, or memoranda, by analyzing the problem and potential responses, gathering and organizing supporting data, and composing the written document to accomplish the desired objective.

This portion of the examination is a management simulation exercise. You will be asked to respond by letter to a particular problem based upon your police administrative ability and other information which will be provided to you. Your grade on this portion of the examination will be based not only on your writing skills, but also on your management skills in deciding how to handle the problem, and your public relations ability in handling a sensitive issue. The following dimensions will be used to evaluate your written response:

SUBJECT AREA/KNOWLEDGE

NO. 1 - WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Ability to communicate a particular message in written form by using appropriate syntax, correct grammar, and punctuation. Ability to appropriately organize the written communication for clarity and to achieve its desired purpose.

NO. 2 - CONTENT PROBLEM ANALYSIS

Ability to identify the problem, analyze relevant information while relating data from different sources, and determine appropriate response.

NO. 3 - INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS

Ability to be sensitive to the concerns of others and have empathy for their point of view. Ability to work in a politically charged atmosphere with political sensitivity, diplomacy, and tact. The appropriate response will maximize the public relations potential of the situation

REFERENCE LIST

While the entire list of reference material will be useful to you in your preparation for the upcoming examination, the **majority** of test questions are sourced from those references listed under the Primary List.

PRIMARY REFERENCE MATERIAL

EFFECTIVE SUPERVISORY PRACTICES/Better Results Through Teamwork, 777 North Capitol, Washington, DC 20005, 4th ed, 2005. (NOTE: May also be obtained through LSU Firemen Training Program).

<u>SUPERVISION OF POLICE PERSONNEL</u>, Iannone N. F., Pearson Education, Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458, 8th ed., 2014.

<u>O'HARA'S FUNDAMENTALS OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION</u>, Woods, DeVere D., Charles C. Thomas Publisher (Bannerstone House), 2600 South First Street, Springfield, IL 62794-9265, 8th ed., 2013.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT POLICE MANAGEMENT, (Municipal Management Series), International City Management Association (ICMA), 1120 G St., N.W., Washington, DC 20005, 4th ed., 2003.

POLICE ADMINISTRATION, Wilson, O. W. and McLauren, Roy C., McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, N. Y., 5th ed., 1997.

The local civil service board should make this study guide available to all applicants in whatever manner the board deems appropriate.

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